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S.B. No. 519

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the definition of autism and other pervasive developmental disorders.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subdivision (1), Section 114.002, Human Resources Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "Autism and other pervasive developmental disorders" means a subclass of mental disorders characterized by distortions in the development of multiple basic psychological functions that are involved in the development of social skills and language, as defined by the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual (DSM-5), 5th~~[, 4th]~~ Edition.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.